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RESTRICTION RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 4, 2010, Applicants provisionally elect with traverse, for examination purposes only, the following subspecies (at least Claims 1-7 and 10-11 readable thereon):

Species A(I): directed to a transparent sealant formed of a flexible polymer composition comprising a diene-based polymer, said diene-based polymer is a hydrogenated product of a conjugated diene-based block polymer comprising: one butadiene polymer block (I) with a vinyl bond in an amount of less than 25%, and a polymer block (II) of a conjugated diene unit and other monomer in a ratio of 50:50 to 100:0 and having a vinyl bond in an amount from 25 to 95%.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.